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Paramount-Flagg Comedy James Montgomery Flagg's Satirical Comedy "The Last Pottle"

Story by James Montgomery Alrected by Saul Harrison

Starring Harry Foshay and Dorothy Fitch.

Produced by Fown & Country Films, Inc.
Jack Eaton Eltinge F. Warner

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The Cast

This Paramount-Flagg comedy is a two reel film satire on a subject that is too real, really! Mr. Flagg has taken for his theme the very timely liquor question but has handled it in a very diplomatic and non-partisan way. The story is of the year 1923 when the United States has been dryer than tooth powder for two years.

Cadwallader Van Horn, formerly president of a now extinct wine company, has been forced to give up his charming wife, Dorothy, on account of his poverty, due to the country being dry as alkali. On leaving his wife's home, Cadwallader presents her family with the last bottle of champagne in the world. This bottle becomes the envy of the whole community and is used by Dorothy's uncle to gain a successful marriage for his niece.

The thirsty bridegroom, Uriah Crope, an elderly bachelor attempts to gain the last bottle without the marriage but fails and the excitement starts the morning of the wedding between Uriah and Dorothy. A large headline in the newspapers announcing the fact that the last bottle of champagne in the world goes to the lucky bridegroom brings thirst-laden gentlemen from every walk of life in hopes of obtaining the precious bubbles.

We find the deacon of the town church camouflaged as a burglar and armed to the teeth the deacon steals up to the bride's home. The village constable after reading the headline relinguishes his hold on a desperate criminal and leaving him handcuffed to the village pump, covers his face with the old bandanna and also goes in search of the last bottle. The village sport, the town drunkard and other persons all unaware of each other, endeavor to get the last bottle, are seen sneaking about the house.

Cadwallader Van Horn, now a tramp, is among those present, gets a bright idea of obtaining the last bottle and winning back his wife's affections. Through a successful ruse, Van gets possession of the last bottle and auctions if off to the highest bidder for one million dollars. He wins back his wife. The lucky bidder for the bottle is none other than "the guy who put prohibition through", but what finally becomes of the last bottle is another story.

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